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DOE intends to issue a Record of Decision at least 30 days after the date of the Environmental Protection Agency Notice of Availability and will publish it in the Federal Register.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 9, 1996.

Gary T. Palmer,

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## **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP97-136-000]

### **Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

December 9, 1996.

Take notice that on December 2, 1996, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), Post Office Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in Docket No. CP96-136-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216) for authorization to abandon 2 meters, change the direction of flow of a lateral line, and to install a new meter, all in Adams County, Colorado, under CIG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-21-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

CIG proposes to replace the existing Doherty Meter Station by abandoning 2 4-inch diameter meters and installing a new facility with a 2-inch diameter meter and to reverse the flow of the 4-inch diameter Third Street Lateral loop line. It is stated that these changes are

required because Vessels Hydrocarbons, Inc. (Vessels) is consolidating its processing activities by closing its Third Street processing Plant and constructing a new line to move gas from its Third Street plant to its Wattenberg Plant. CIG proposes to deliver up to 250 dt equivalent of natural gas per day to Vessels at the new meter. It is asserted that CIG will transport the gas for Vessels under its Rate Schedule TF-1. It is further asserted that CIG has notified producers who use the Third Street Plant for processing and has received no objections to the proposal. It is estimated that installation of the new meter will cost \$15,000, for which CIG will be reimbursed by Vessels.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. ER96-2964-000]

### **Enserco Energy, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order**

December 9, 1996.

Enserco Energy, Inc. (Enserco), an affiliate of Black Hills Power & Light Company, filed an application for authorization to sell power at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Enserco requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Enserco. On December 2, 1996, the Commission issued an Order Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's December 2, 1996 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (C), (D), and (F):

(C) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Enserco should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(D) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (C) above, Enserco is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 204 of the FPA, to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Enserco, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(F) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Enserco's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities \* \* \*.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is January 2, 1997.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. CP97-134-000]

### **MarkWest Hydrocarbon Partners, Ltd.; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order**

December 9, 1996.

Take notice that, on November 27, 1996, in Docket No. CP97-134-000, MarkWest Hydrocarbon Partners, Ltd. (MarkWest), 5613 DTC Parkway, Suite 400, Englewood, Colorado 80111, filed a petition with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.307), for a declaratory order disclaiming jurisdiction over the Cobb Extraction Plant in Kanawha County, West Virginia, and the Boldman Extraction Plant in Pike County, West Virginia, all as more fully set forth in